

ACTIONS TAKEN AS RESULT OF THE DDD MORTALITY REVIEWS

TRAININGS DEVELOPED FOR PROVIDERS, DDD STAFF, INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES:

1. Aspiration/Pneumonia awareness
2. MRSA awareness
3. Eating Protocols
4. Choking hazards
5. Prediction and Prevention of Skin Breakdown
6. Heart attacks – (developed by People First of WA, under contract with DDC & DDD)
7. Healthy diets – for individuals with developmental disabilities - (developed by People First of WA, under contract with DDC & DDD)
8. Multiple specific training tailored to individual provider needs as identified by the Mortality committee

ALERTS ISSUED TO PROVIDERS, DDD STAFF AND INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES:

1. How Hot Is Your Water?
2. Understanding Pressure Sores
3. Preventing Flu and Pneumonia
4. Beware of Too Much Sun
5. Medications
6. Health Risks of Being Underweight
7. Aspiration
8. Hand Washing
9. Psychoactive Medications
10. Osteoporosis
11. Gum Disease
12. Seizures and Bathing
13. Bowel or Fecal Impaction
14. Type 2 Diabetes

15. Taking Your Medications
16. Pedestrian Safety
17. Aspiration Leads to Life-Threatening Pneumonia
18. Fast Foods - A Fast Lane to Trouble
19. Red Flags of Change
20. Toxic substances Alert
21. Whooping Cough Danger
22. No Joking about Choking
23. Children and Psychotropic Medications
24. Residential Providers are Life Guards
25. Hoyer Lifts
26. Follow the Dots

POLICY AND RULE CHANGES AFFECTED BY MORTALITY REVIEWS:

1. WAC requiring water temperature controls
2. Mortality Review Policy updated and electronic form developed for use in looking at trends and patterns
3. Requirement for screening for skin breakdown at annual assessment
4. Changes to the "Monitoring Movers" survey to include review of medications and more health care indicators
5. Bathing Protocols established for clients who have seizures in SOLA services in RegionTwo